

ABSTRACT

There is provided a substrate material, for an HDD  
suspension, which has excellent adhesion between a  
5 stainless steel foil and an insulating resin layer and  
maintains high etching performance by preventing metal  
components in the stainless steel from diffusing into the  
insulating resin layer. The substrate material for an  
HDD suspension of the invention is a material obtained by  
10 shaping a stainless steel foil, wherein, on the surface  
of the stainless steel foil and on at least one side  
thereof, there are laminated, at least, a covering layer  
made chiefly of either one or both of a metal oxide and a  
metal hydroxide with chromium excluded as the metal  
15 species, and an insulating resin layer.